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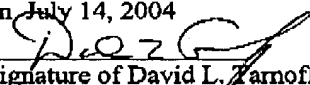
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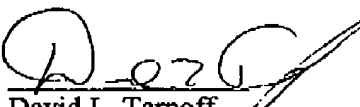
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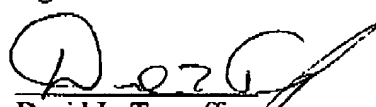
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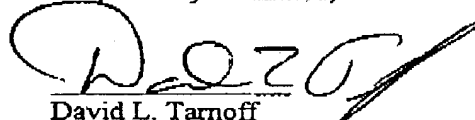
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Sir:

Under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §119, Applicants file herewith certified copies of Japanese Application Nos. 2002-374874, filed December 25, 2002, and 2003-025914, filed February 3, 2003, in accordance with the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, 53 Stat. 1748. Applicants hereby claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §119 in accordance with the International Convention for the Protection of Industrial Property, 53 Stat. 1748.

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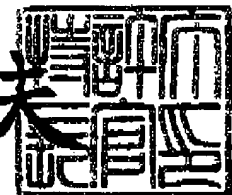
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